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Local and General.

Fred Stevens returned this week from visiting his brother Joe in Michigan.

Auger & Shute, dental parlors, upstairs over Morris & Taylor's hardware store.

Miss Maud Ebersole gave a birthday party on last Friday evening, the occasion being her nineteenth birthday anniversary.

Last week Jas. Eadie was elected councillor by acclamation in Local Improvement District 21-W-4; at the special election called to fill a vacancy.

A report has reached Lacombe of the death of Fred Lister at Elkmouth, B.C. It is but four months since he went to British Columbia from Lacombe.

G. E. White, four miles west of town, sold a pure bred yearling Holstein to W. J. Tregillis, of Calgary, for \$75. Mr. Tregillis was one of the lecturers at the late school of agriculture.

Public Sale—Earl Adams, 2 1/2 miles north of Bentley, will sell horses, cattle, hogs, poultry, implements, household goods, etc., on Tuesday, March 30, at ten o'clock.—Col. A. H. Garries, auctioneer.

That's a lovely mud crossing on the avenue at Bailey's corner. However, if you get a double diamond hitch on your overshoe cinches, they may be still on your feet when you reach the walk on the other side.

Through neglect since the first of the year the town drain has been allowed to freeze up, and it is causing considerable trouble and expense, which could have been prevented by just a little attention in keeping the outlet open.

The Swastika Club held a St. Patrick's social in the Methodist church Wednesday night. Partners for supper were drawn by lot, and the gentlemen had to pay two cents per pound for difference in weight, no matter whether the lady or gentleman was the heaviest, with a saving proviso of a fifty cent limit.

A meeting of all ladies interested (especially those who have contributed) in the Lacombe hospital fund, are requested to attend a meeting in Mobley's hall on Friday afternoon, March 26, at 3:30 sharp. A full attendance is requested, as business of great importance is to be discussed.—Mrs. W. Burris.

Puffer, the Grit nominee for the the Legislature from this constituency, went in without opposition Monday. Eight other constituencies are reported to have returned government supporters without opposition. The Conservative party seems to be in almost as bad a way in this province as is the Liberal party in British Columbia and Manitoba.

Blindman Valley Railway.

A meeting of the shareholders of the Lacombe & Blindman Valley Railway Company was held at Lacombe on Wednesday.

It was decided to inform the capitalists who are seeking to purchase the Company's charter, that the Company is willing to sell to anyone who will begin construction at once.

A committee of nine was appointed to solicit stock subscriptions. Following is the committee: Messrs. Iddings, Thorp and Reed, of Rimby; McPherson, Putland and Damron, of Bentley; Hutton, Vickerson and Campbell, of Lacombe.

It is very evident that the project is not going to be allowed to drop, but will be pushed, and pushed all the time until the road is an accomplished fact.

Fire.

About 1 o'clock Thursday morning fire was discovered in the Mrs. Castleman Smith cottage on Altera street, the alarm being sent in by telephone by Mrs. Thibadeaux, living next door on the north.

The house was occupied by the Misses Radel and brother who had just moved in the previous day.

The fire appears to have broken out in the kitchen, though it is not known just how or in what part of the room it started.

The fire spread with such rapidity that it was impossible to save much of the contents of the house.

The fire brigade responded promptly to the call and did splendid work in confining the fire to the building, the fire being kept from spreading to adjoining residences on either side. There was several minutes delay occasioned by three lengths of hose that had been undergoing repairs being off the reels, and the place could not be reached from the fire hall tank without these three lengths.

Germany Challenges Great Britain's Supremacy on Sea.

London, March 17.—Not without living memory has the House of Commons been so profoundly agitated as it was by Premier Asquith's statement tonight regarding the Anglo-German naval rivalry. His pronouncement, when speaking of the new Dreadnaughts to be constructed, that Great Britain's "two-power standard" was gone, and that at Germany's rate of progress England would need all her resources to maintain a one-power supremacy, was listened to in stupefaction.

The Radical Economists had planned a vigorous protest against the bloated naval expenditure, but no one had the courage to rise in the face of the blank dismay created by Premier Asquith's speech.

The discussion was precipitated by Reginald McKenna, first lord of the admiralty, in justification of the increase of nearly \$15,000,000 in the naval estimates.

A. J. Balfour bitterly assailed the admiralty programme. "I am forced," he said, "to the conclusion that now for the very first time in

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modern history, we are face to face with a naval situation so new and so dangerous that it is difficult for us to realize all its importance."

Mr. Balfour declared that according to his information, which he challenged Mr. McKenna to refute, Germany had laid down last year eight Dreadnaughts and that she was several months in advance of her program. If Germany continued at the same rate, he said, the relative positions of the two nations in 1912 would be Great Britain 20 Dreadnaughts, Germany 21. Or if the Germans imitated Great Britain's new policy of collecting material and armaments beforehand they would have 25 Dreadnaughts.

Mr. McKenna questioned these figures as being beyond Germany's constructive power, but Mr. Balfour retorted that it was difficult to discover what the Germans were doing.

Premier Asquith said that the government had been given the distinct declaration that it was Germany's intention further to accelerate shipbuilding and the government could not present a program based on the assumption that this declaration was incorrect. It must however be admitted that

Great Britain no longer enjoyed the superiority in ship construction she thought she held, and this vast, horrible, devastating and sterilizing expenditure was a supreme necessity of national security.

Rev. J. E. Brown, of New York, who is organizing Good Templar Lodges in the province of Alberta, will address a meeting on Sunday evening March 21st, at the close of the regular service in the Presbyterian church of Lacombe. Subject, "Through the United States With the Water Wagon." All are cordially invited to attend.

Don't buy a stallion until you see the new importation of Geo. F. Root's which will arrive March 20th at Spruce Bluff Farm, Red Deer. These horses have all been accepted and recorded by the Canadian Government. Don't buy a stallion unless he carries a certificate of pure breeding issued by the government.

Public Auction.—G. Forsell, twelve miles west of Bentley, on Saturday, March 27, will sell cattle, poultry, implements, household goods, grain, etc. Sale commences at 12 o'clock.—Ervin S. Stanley, auctioneer.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1909

WEEK IN PARLIAMENT

"Poisoning the Wells"—Amounts Paid to Government Press.—Middleman Buys Wharf for \$1,000 and Turns it Over to Government for \$5,000.

Interesting to Cartwright.
Volume two of the Auditor-General's Report should have great interest for Sir Richard Cartwright. It contains the payments to government organs for printing and advertising. When the Conservatives ruled, Sir Richard called this "poisoning the wells." He declared: "We have a government which does not hesitate to poison and corrupt the very sources of information from which alone the ordinary voter can learn how public affairs are administered. There is not one act so fraught with evil consequences, not one sign so significant of degradation as the manner in which the public press has been openly and systematically debauched year after year."

In the last year of Conservative rule, printing and advertising expenditure was as follows:
Government advertising.....\$ 42,710
Printing outside the Government Bureau.....180,290
Total.....322,000
Total in 1908 (Lib.).....671,707
Total in 1908.....1,057,589
This latter figure is made up as follows:
Advertising.....\$ 287,109
Printing.....800,419

Here is a list of a few government organs, through which the poison was distributed last year:
Montreal Herald.....\$30,738
Montreal La Presse.....6,643
Montreal Transcript.....13,299
Quebec Bulletin.....9,909
Quebec Telegraph.....7,480
Toronto Globe.....4,683
Toronto Star.....4,977
Winnipeg Free Press.....4,788
Ottawa Free Press.....32,748
Halifax Chronicle and Echo.....12,213
Halifax Recorder.....4,835
St. John Sun and Star.....13,228
St. John Globe.....6,385
Dawson World.....3,070
Edmonton Bulletin.....1,019
Brookville Recorder.....2,159
Amherst News.....1,000
Brantford Express.....1,410
Calgary Alberta.....1,610
Fredericton Herald.....1,872
Kingston Whig.....2,389
London Advertiser.....2,184
Montreal Witness.....6,828
Pictou Advocate.....2,081
Regina Leader.....2,344
Sydney Record.....1,081
Yarmouth Herald.....1,467

For the remainder, numbering some hundreds, see Auditor-General Report, 1908, page B 3 to 9.

An Expensive Engineer.

The government keeps a large and expensive staff of engineers and architects, and yet goes outside for much expert work. H. E. Vautelet, of Montreal, is one of these outside employees. On Monday (Hansard, page 1464) ministers explained how much had been paid him in the last four years.

1905-6.....\$ 6,190
1906-7.....14,508
1907-8.....11,757
1908-9 (incomplete).....22,331

These payments include \$12,350 for plans for immigrant sheds at Quebec, which have not been commenced, but may perhaps be built in future; \$12,000 for designing the steel freight sheds at Montreal

which the government does not propose to build; \$18,000 for designs for St. Andrew's Dam on the Red River, and \$5,483 for re-designing the Quebec Bridge, on which Mr. Vautelet is now engaged at \$1,000 a month.

The Middleman Again.

The middleman is still getting in his work. A neat job of his was disclosed in supply on Thursday, (Hansard unrevised 1686). These facts are admitted by the minister:

Mr. O'Leary, of Richibucto, N. B., owned a wharf, which he desired to sell. He understood that the government wanted the property and offered it for \$1,000 to Waterbury, an officer of the public works department.

Murray, a prominent Liberal, bought the wharf from O'Leary for \$1,000 which was the price at which the owner offered it in the open market to the government or any other purchaser.

Immediately the government bought it from Murray for \$5,000 \$4,000 for the middleman! \$1,000 for the owner!

And the government could have bought the wharf any time from the Conservative owner at the same price that Murray paid. Everybody knows that Murray bought the wharf in order to sell it to the government. Pugsley sent a convenient engineer who reported that the price of \$5,000 was fair, just as another engineer reported that the price in the Moncton and Halifax land deals was just, and yet another engineer reported 75 cents a yard a fair price for dredging, when the same officer was accepting 15 cents for the government dredge that was doing the work.

Ubiquitous Resident Engineer.

A. E. Hoare, C. E., is an engineer regularly in the employ of the government. It will be remembered that he was an engineer of the Quebec Bridge Company. He began that service in 1900 at \$400 per month. In 1904 he was receiving \$500 per month. The Transcontinental Commission made him a division engineer on the Quebec end of the Grand Trunk Pacific. From that time until the spring of 1908, half a year after the bridge fell, Mr. Hoare was a salaried engineer of both concerns, receiving \$700 per month. It happened that during most of this period, ex-Premier Parent was president of the Bridge Company and Chairman of the Government Transcontinental Commission. Hoare claims that he was able to do his duty as resident engineer on the two enterprises at one time. The government has paid for both.

Before the Public Accounts Committee on Friday he admitted all the facts here stated, while Macdonald of Pictou, Carvell and other government supporters commended him by declaring that a professional man may have as many clients as he likes.

High Rent.

How is \$42,500 a year rent, with taxes and other charges in addition, for a building assessed at \$100,000? That is what the government pays for the building on Slater Street, Ottawa, occupied in part by the department of Militia.

Pugsley says the assessment is less than the value, and that the building is worth \$150,000. On

that high valuation the government is paying 28 per cent, and kindly relieving the proprietor of the obligation to paying taxes. It is not necessary to say that the chief visible owners of the building are good party men. There is some interesting speculation as to the ministers and members who may be invisible owners.

Notes.

Lawyer Shepley still gets a goodly share of government employment. In the list of payments last year by government for legal services, his firm is down for \$20,000.

Western Conservative members are putting up a great fight this session against railway charter mongering and paper railways generally. In the railway committee they insist that companies seeking extensions of time or amendments to their charter or new concessions shall give evidence that they intend to construct. These members have no desire to supply speculators with charters obtained only to sell, and designed to deceive the settlers.

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The public will welcome the 1909 revised edition of this valuable booklet, which has been happily described as a tabloid encyclopedia of Canada. It is unique and clever in its arrangement as worked out by its compiler, Mr. Frank Yeigh, of Toronto, the well known writer and lecturer. 30,000 copies have already been sold. The resources, wealth and business of the country are given in a concrete form—a fact in a sentence. Mr. Hamar Greenwood, M. P. for York, Eng., says: "It is an eye-opener to even a keen Canadian like myself." A copy may be had for 25 cents from the Canadian Facts Publishing Co., 667 Spadina Ave., Toronto.

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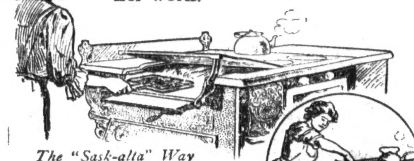
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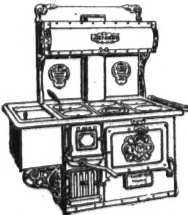
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The Dog nuisance.
The Galt (Ontario) Reporter tells in the following paragraph how the city of Galt is coping with the dog nuisance:
"Owners of dogs make a great mistake in neglecting that the enforcement of the bylaw by Chief Gorman is unpopular. The Reporter has heard the action of the latter highly commended by all classes of citizens as a move made necessary by an intolerable nuisance. Strong language is being daily employed by men and women who have suffered from the depredations of dogs and the question is asked why those free citizens should be tolerated by the community when the individual is held to decency and order by the laws of the municipality and the province. It cannot be denied that the public is with the Chief, who is now determined to clear the dogs off the streets and thus acknowledge that the dog by law is not merely an ornamental appendage of the municipal statistics. It is proposed by dog owners to fight the Chief, their council and all others in favor of the enforcement that have aroused their antipathy. Our advice to these gentlemen is to go very slow. They are on untenable ground. There can be no question of the validity of the bylaw. Nor can owners of dogs derive any comfort from the provincial statutes. Better far to bow to public opinion and thus contribute to the happiness of citizens and the beautification of the town."

Your Nerves are Weak.
You sleep badly, appetite is variable. You eat but gain no strength. Morning tiredness makes you wish night would come. When night comes refreshing sleep is hard to obtain. You're run down, your blood is thin and watery, your nerves have grown weak, the thought of effort makes you weary. You need Ferronine: it makes blood—red, strong blood. An appetite? You'll eat everything and digest it too. Strength? That's what plenty of food gives. Ferronine gives hope, vigor, vim, endurance. Use Ferronine and get strong. Results are quick—cure is lasting. All dealers in 50c boxes.

Preacher Thinks Immorality as Rampant in Western Towns as in Eastern Cities.
Toronto, March 11.—Immorality is rampant in the west according to Rev. Dr. Chown, who has just returned from a trip to the Pacific coast. He states that in most of the western towns and cities there were many houses of ill repute. In one town especially of 2500 population there were no fewer than 60 dissolute women. In some instances, Dr. Chown said, even daughters of ministers had accepted a life of shame. In some of the new town bus lines are run to the red light districts and are publicly called the "red light routes." Methodists and Presbyterian ministers will unite in a crusade in some of these centers and try to stop the evil. Evangelist Alexander, it is hoped, will aid them in their revival meetings.

Doctors Fear Tonsillitis Outbreak.
Hundreds of cases are reported. If your throat is irritable and sore, gargle it three times daily with Nervilleine and water. Then rub the throat and chest vigorously with Nervilleine and put on a Nervilleine Porous Plaster. Follow these instructions closely and you will avoid tonsillitis, bronchitis and throat trouble of every kind. Hundreds are preventing and curing their colds by this method and report it eminently satisfactory. Both Nervilleine Plasters and Pains' Nervilleine can be had from any dealer, 25c each.

White Slave Traffic.
Watertown, March 12.—U. S. Marshall Smith and Immigration Inspector James A. Covaty, of Ogdensburg, in conjunction with the local police, have discovered what they think to be an underground route for the white slave traffic. Lewis, of this city, is under arrest charged with violation of the immigration laws, by harboring two young French Canadian girls who arrived in this city from Ottawa a week ago. The police say they have evidence in the form of letters indicating that an unknown man has been procuring French Canadian girls in Canada for various American cities. The case against the Lewis woman will be tried before U. S. Commissioner Rogers here today.

Do Your Eyes Ring?
This is the beginning of chronic catarrh. If not checked, the result is deafness. A simple remedy that many physicians advise is to slowly inhale "Catarhazone" a few times each day. The soothing vapor of Catarhazone cures catarrhal condition and hearing improves at once. Head noises, buzzing ears, are cured. For catarrhal deafness, throat, nose and lung catarrh there is probably no remedy so efficient.

"Old Faithful," the famous Yellowstone Park geyser, will be reproduced in Geyser Basin, one of the central features of the Algonquin Pacific Railway, which opens in Seattle on June 1. It will spout water, illuminated at night by electric lights of different colors, a height of 150 feet in the air.

March Home Journal.
The Home Journal for March contains a most interesting article on the "White Slave Traffic," by Hon. E. T. Sims of Chicago, in which the inner working of this nefarious trade in young girls is laid bare. "Western Women and the Digger" is the subject of a most interesting discussion by Lillian K. Boyson of Winnipeg, and this with a quaint description of the life of a Prairie Settler by an Englishman, gives an insight into conditions in the Great West. The March number is of course Irish in tone and contains in addition to two of Thomas Moore's Irish melodies, an historical reference to St. Patrick, Ireland's patron saint. There is the usual amount of story matter with interesting departments on Fashions, Fancy Work, Sick Room, Women's Institutes, Household, etc. For the boys some interesting coin tricks are explained. An increase in size and an advance in subscription price is announced for June 1st, but in the meantime subscriptions are being taken at the old rate of fifty cents. The Home Journal has developed wonderfully and is a credit to Canadian journalism.

SERIOUS DEPLETION IN FUNDS
HARD TIMES HARD ON THE POOR CONSUMPTIVE

Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives Makes an Urgent Appeal for Money.
\$25,000 Required to Cover Bank Overdraft and Provide for Maintenance of Poor Patients.

These head-lines tell the story of our needs. They are heavy and urgent. Many times during the past twelve months the question has pressed itself upon the Trustees, "Can we continue the work further?"

Every month brought its quota of accounts for salaries and wages of staff, bills of butcher, milkman, eggs, groceries, heavy coal bills—a serious item—and other uncontrollable expenses so long as the doors were kept open.



These had to be paid somehow. Contributions—especially after the turn of the year when the financial depression was felt at its keenest—fell off to such an extent, that each month the burden became heavier.

During all this period there was only one thing to do, and that was to lean on our banker—swelling the bank overdraft.

The trial was the severest in the history of these Muskoka Homes, in which nearly 3,000 persons, stricken by the dread white plague, have been cared for.



But never for a single hour did the doors of the Free Hospital fail to swing open, and give a welcome to suffering ones without money and without price.

The good news has gone forth of a rich harvest the wide Dominion over.

Friends, we come to you at this time, when the clouds of depression are being lifted, asking that you be generous in the direness of our extremity—help to lift the burden being carried—not for any personal gain, but solely, alone, only on behalf of suffering sisters and brothers.

Our plan is on behalf of the sick ones.

What will you give?
Do not say nay.
Help generously.
Help all you can.
Help now.

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Mines directly west of Le Roi and Le Roi No. 2, shares sold from 5 cents to \$100.00, and Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. of Canada, Ltd., shares \$150.00 each, the Giant California, adjoining our own, shares about \$10.00. Granby Mine paid over \$5,000,000 Dividends per year. Gold-Copper mines in British Columbia paid large Dividends. Big Four assays from \$5.00 to \$800.00 in gold, copper, silver, with 30 cent in the treasury. Invest now and you won't regret it.

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When Jimsey Plugged the Game.

By W. F. BRYAN.

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No thunder rolled, no lightning dashed, when James Henry Bolden got his job, but the proceedings were not altogether without excitement. James Henry entered the room with a demand for the position offered in the morning paper.

"We've got a boy," declared Royce, the gray-haired manager. "You're too late."

"I was to ten other places before I could get there," explained James Henry. "Which is the kid you put on?"

Royce nodded in the direction of a small boy who was regarding him nicely polished boots with enraptured interest. James rendered honest thanks for the information and slipped out. He was back again in an hour or so to lay a package and some change on Royce's desk.

"That's the pencil you sent for," he announced. "Where'll I put my hat?"

"I told you we had a boy," said Royce crossly.

"And had 'n't 'n't," explained James. "He's gone out to get his eye fixed, and I told him I'd take the job, so he needn't worry."

For a moment Royce hesitated. It was bad policy to engage a boy who had taken another's job, but Royce was very tired of boys who looked like Jimsey, so at last he nodded his head in the direction of the bench where the boys sat waiting for their turn to be called.

"No more fighting or out you go," he warned, with a frown, and James grinned as he crossed over to the bench.

In two days he was "Jimsey" to every one in the office with the exception of Benson, the senior partner, and even Benson thought of him as Jimsey on those frequent occasions when he gave the lad any thought at all. He was alert, intelligent and always ready to perform services not strictly in his line.

More than once Jimsey was sent up to Benson's home with some message, and in these commissions he delighted. Usually called to the door by the boys, Benson and Jimsey grew adorably fond of the sweet faced girl who was the broker's second wife.

Marion Chesney had married Benson because her parents had given her no peace until she had consented to make the sacrifice that should re-establish the Chesney fortune, and she was tired of her own unhappiness, and like a brave little woman she was trying hard to make the best of it, though she found it very difficult at times.

Benson had sought a mistress of his home rather than of his heart. He delighted in seeing his wife at the head of his table where he gave dinner to his business associates. Like the plate and the wines, she did credit to his line.

Beyond that he gave her little thought. He was careful to provide flowers and candy, but merely because he felt that this was expected, and Jimsey took far more delight in the trip than did Benson in the sending of Marion in the evening.

Once it had seemed to him that the head clerk had a standing order to remind his employer to send flowers and things, and after that they were flowers or candy to Marion—nothing more.

Jimsey's frank admiration and lively ways meant far more to her because his boyish admiration was sincere and his friendliness genuine. She came to watch for his appearance, and to Jimsey the quarter of ten dollar that she gave him meant far less than the friendly pressure of the slim, cool fingers as she laid the coin in his palm.

So matters stood, but Jimsey, making a short cut through the park on the way to the street car line, came face to face with Marion and a man who was turned a curve in the path.

There was no mistaking the man's attitude. He was making determined love to her, and she seemed at least tolerant if not receptive.

For an instant Jimsey paused and then half turned to retrace his steps and made a detour, but he caught a better glimpse of the man's face he sauntered forward.

He came to a stop before the couple, and his hat was whisked off as he made a sweeping bow to Marion. Then he turned to the man with a look of infinite disgust.

"Get on a new ray, skiny," he demanded. "You're off your beat and in over your head. You'd better beat it or I'll tell the cops where the old pipe from Hennessy's new testament went to. It's too bad you can't stay no longer, but you got 't' out here."

To Marion's surprise the man rose and without a word caught a hurried departure. Jimsey turned to her with mild reproach in his eyes.

"I know how you feel," he said soothingly as he watched the tears come unbidden to her eyes. "You want to have a steady, and the old man ain't no good for the money you want. You got a flirtation with no one who knows your push, but you don't want to get mixed up with no lead pipe thief."

"I am interested in charity," she explained, not realizing that she was making a defense to a flirtation with a boy. "He spoke so sympathetically of the conditions he had studied. This was the first time that he presumed to be personal."

"He thought he had you clinched," remarked Jimsey, forbearing to add that he thought she was "easy." You

want to put the old man wise, because skiny may try to hold you up. Blackmail, you know?"

"I couldn't, I couldn't," cried the girl with a sob.

"But you must," insisted Jimsey firmly. "If you don't tell me, I'll make up all kinds of stories and you'll have to put up or stand for 'em."

"But you can't understand," she began, and Jimsey merely nodded and said. He was wise far beyond his years.

"I know," he conceded. "You two ain't never had a good thing so you could know each other. Can't you put him wise?"

The girl shook her head, but Jimsey shook his, too, and then he said no more to her, he was waiting for Benson when the latter left the office. It was Benson's habit to walk upstairs each evening until he felt tired, and tonight Jimsey emerged from the shadows of the corner and fell into step.

"Want to come the rag, boss," he explained.

"See the cashier if you want more money," was the short response. "I can't see him with office work on this."

"This ain't office," denied Jimsey. "It's about the lady. I didn't promise to tell, and she's afraid to tell."

"What do you know about my wife that she is afraid to tell me?" demanded Benson sharply.

"It's this way," explained Jimsey hurriedly. "She ain't got nothing to do but to be good to folks, and she gets in with the charity people. There's a girl that trails with the bunch for what he can get out of it, and—and—she's makin' love to her today. There ain't nothing wrong, and you can't blame her, I see him sellin' soap for twenty-five cents a cake, and there ain't another feller I know 'n't get more 'n'ten. He's a swell tacker, and she fell for to love him, and she's got to stand. But he thinks that he's a threat to tell you and—and get some money from her, and I want to plug the game."

"And get the money yourself for tellin'?" demanded Benson. "It won't work. I have implicit confidence in my wife."

To his shocked surprise Jimsey slapped him jubilantly on the back.

"That's the way to be," he cried, with enthusiasm. "Only tell it to her, boss. Don't say to me. Just sort of get together. Good night."

He sped away into darkness, and in his perturbation Benson walked all the way home. He could see the poor little girl fearful of what might happen and trying to greet him with a smile. It could recall many little things to which business had blinded him, and when at last he came into his home he took the trembling little woman by the arms and told her that he understood.

Even Jimsey could not realize to what good effect he had "plugged the game."

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Some Gratuitous Advice.

A man had sat for some time in a restaurant, looking thoughtfully at the proprietor, says the Youth's Companion.

"I see you advertise that you make your own kidney cream," he said in a confidential tone.

"I do, sir," said the proprietor.

"Well, and the medicine you permit me to give you a little pointer?"

"I won't charge you a cent, and it'll be money in your pocket."

"Glad to hear it, I'm sure," said the proprietor.

"Let somebody else to make it," said the man, in a hoarse whisper.

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Tommy Tuffnut: Wunt.

Sunday School Teacher: And what noble sentiment prompted you to do it?

Tommy Tuffnut: He was bigger dan me.—Philadelphia Record.

LITTLE LIVES LOST

HOW TO SAVE THEM

The annual report of the Registrar-General for Ontario shows that for every thousand children born in 1905, one hundred and eleven died before they reach the age of one year. Most of these deaths are due to disorders of the stomach and bowels, and most of these little lives could be saved if mothers kept always at hand a safe and simple remedy like Baby's Own Tablets.

These Tablets cure all stomach and bowel troubles, but better still an occasional dose will prevent these troubles coming on. Mrs. N. Shaffer, The Brook, Ont., says: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for stomach and bowel troubles and always find them satisfactory. I feel that my little ones are safe so long as I have this medicine in the house."

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HEIRLESS MISSING.

Englishwoman Said to Have Been Killed in Wales and Body Lost.

The mysterious disappearance and the remarkable career of Miss Violet Gordon Charlsworth are furnishing a new chapter in the history of the equal to that of the Steinheil case in Paris.

Miss Charlsworth, an attractive spinster of 25, who lived with her parents in Bolera street, Asaph, Wales, was most recently reported as killed while motoring in the direction of Penryn with her sister and a chauffeur a few days ago. The sister and the chauffeur aver that the motor came into collision with a retaining wall of a road along the edge of a cliff overlooking the sea and that Miss Charlsworth had been thrown over the wall into the sea.

The sister and the chauffeur gave the foregoing account to the local authorities and since that time the members of the family have declined to see engineers or to give further details. Those who have examined the scene of the supposed tragedy do not consider it possible that the body of the missing girl was ever recovered. A woman's hat was found upon the rocks, but no indication of a body ever being thrown over the cliff.

Miss Charlsworth's picturesque career suggests that of Madame Humbert.

She said that she was heiress of a General Gordon, her grandfather, who left her £74,000 which was to be paid over to her on her 25th birthday, Jan. 13, with accumulated interest, making the whole amount £92,000. Miss Charlsworth usually gave her name as Gordon and visited London frequently where she operated heavily on the London Stock Exchange and owes one broker \$50,000. She took a large country place at Inverness last summer, which was sumptuously furnished, the walls being draped with the Gordon shawl. She had four motor cars. The story of her death is generally disbelieved.

Her parents have offered £100 for the recovery of her body.

The disappearance and the family's secrecy are causing endless speculation.

THE ENGLISH UNEMPLOYED.

Treasure-Hunting Is Suggested as a Possible Remedy.

To solve the unemployment problem in England the curious suggestion is made to organize a big scheme for the recovery of the treasure lost by the English King John, the king of Magna Carta fame, in the Lincolnshire quicksands nearly 400 years ago.

A recent meeting of the Society of antiquaries at Cambridge (says the London correspondent of the "Times") was presided over by the Royal Archaeological Society, presented an exact reconstruction of the King John's fabled journey. The three most trustworthy chroniclers of the time agree that the king's treasure was hidden in the Well Stream, a sea arm which connected with the Wash, the bay which separates the Lincolnshire coast from the North Sea.

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Local and General.

A Conservative Victory.

Ottawa, March 16.—The government has announced the personnel of the commission to investigate the fisheries of the west. The members are Professor Prince of Ottawa, D. F. Ried, Selkirk, and Thos. Metcalfe, Winnipeg. The commission will start at Winnipeg, Manitoba, then going to Saskatchewan and Alberta and will investigate the whole question of depletion of the western lakes, the speculation in leases and the alleged monopolies of the big companies to the exclusion of settlers.

The appointment of the commission is a distinct triumph for the opposition and particularly for G. H. Bradbury, member for Selkirk, who waged unceasing warfare on the fisheries policy of the government. It is a victory for the Conservatives of an unusual character and is looked upon as an admission of the truth of the charges of last session and campaign. While the members of the commission are all strong party men and it is expected the inquiry will amount to the customary white-washing affair, yet, it is hoped that it will result in the adoption of a new policy along the lines advocated by Mr. Bradbury and the Conservatives, "The fish for the settler."

Effective Recipe.

Here is a simple home-made mixture as given by an eminent authority on kidney diseases, who makes the statement that it will relieve almost any case of kidney trouble if taken before the stage of Bright's disease. He states that such symptoms as lame back pain in the side, frequent desire to urinate, especially at night; painful and discolored urination, are readily overcome. Here is the recipe. Try it:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime.

These ingredients are all harmless and easily mixed at home by shaking well in a bottle. This mixture has a peculiar healing and soothing effect upon the entire kidney and urinary structure, and often overcomes the worst forms of rheumatism in just a little while. This mixture is said to remove all blood disorders and cure rheumatism by forcing the kidneys to filter and strain from the blood and system all uric acid and food decomposed waste matter, which cause these afflictions. Try it if you aren't well. Save the prescription.

Bentley.

Mr. Titton of Iowa arrived in Lacombe last Saturday, and is settling on his farm four miles from Bentley. Mr. Titton notices quite a change in weather, as he left Iowa in a foot and a half of mud.

The Ladies Aid Society are giving an egg social on Easter Monday, in the McPherson hall. Admission 10 and 25 cents.

James McPherson and family have moved into their house on McPherson Avenue.

Miss Zella Osgood and Mrs. Wm. McPherson were visitors at McPherson's lumber camp last week.

Unusual Railway Accident.

Montreal, March 17.—Flying under a full head of steam with out either engineer or fireman, the C. P. R. Boston Express crashed into the Windsor street station today as the result of which four are dead and eleven injured. It was one of the most extraordinary accidents in the history of Montreal railroading and probably will never be satisfactorily explained as the engineer is at the point of death as the result of injuries received and the fireman is unable to say exactly what happened. All he remembers before he rolled out of the cab is that something went off with a bang. It is supposed a steam plug blew out. The speed of the train never slackened and for half a mile the engineer held on, when he too, suffering terrible agony, fell from the flying engine to the side of the track, where he was found later.

Nothing out of the way happened to the train till it left Westmount, but about that time the passengers noticed the great speed but were not alarmed. The distance to Montreal being but a few miles the catastrophe approached with terrible suddenness. One of the train men finally convinced that something was wrong applied the air breaks and the speed of the train was reduced from 50 to 20 miles an hour before it struck the switches of the Windsor station. The engine and cars went on like mad along the siding and smashed in the station wall, carrying masonry and granite pillars before it. Passengers were waiting at the station for the arrival of the train and it was among them the casualties occurred. They were pinned down by the falling beams and crushed to death. None of the passengers on the train were injured.

A pathetic feature of the accident is that Mrs. Nixon had gone to the station to meet her husband W. J. Nixon, who, for the past eight months, had been employed as a train despatcher at Medicine Hat. The western train being late did not arrive until half an hour after the Boston Express, and Mr. Nixon, on arriving heard of the accident, but being told there were no deaths he went home. There he found that his wife and two children had gone to the station to meet him. He rushed back and found their bodies at the morgue. The family intended to move to the west in May.

The powerful 70-ton engine battered everything before it, penetrating the thick stone walls like cannon shot, landing entirely inside the main waiting room before it stopped. It pulled the train in as far as the space permitted. The wildest excitement prevailed, and for two hours ambulances, host wagons, doctors, priests and clergymen tended the dead and dying.

An investigation of the accident was held, at the conclusion of which D. McNichol, vice president of the C. P. R., gave out the following statement, based upon the statements of the witnesses examined: "While the express from Boston was approaching Montreal this morning a plug blew out of the boiler between Montreal Junction and Westmount station, with a loud report. The plug was on the side of the cab where the fireman sat and he was at once en-

veloped in scalding steam. The fireman at once concluded that something serious had happened, and jumped from the cab window into a snow bank. He then got up and followed the train, walking along the track, and found that engineer Cunningham had also jumped from the cab about half a mile further on. He, however, found that the engineer had not been so fortunate as himself in jumping, and that he was lying unconscious beside the track with a fractured skull. The engineer is dying, so that there is no apparent possibility of discovering what really happened on the engine.

Indigestion Ends.

You can eat anything your stomach craves without fear of a case of indigestion or dyspepsia, or that your food will ferment or sour on your stomach if you will occasionally take a little diaphanin after eating.

Your meals will taste good, and anything you eat will be digested; nothing can ferment or turn into acid or poison or stomach gas, which causes belching, dizziness, a feeling of fullness after eating, nausea, indigestion (like a lump of lead in stomach), biliousness, heartburn, water brash, pain in stomach and intestines or other symptoms.

Headaches from the stomach are absolutely unknown where this effective remedy is used. Diaphanin really does all the work of a healthy stomach. It digests your meals when your stomach can't. Each triangle will digest all the food you can eat and leave nothing to ferment or sour.

Get a large 50 cent case of Pape's Diaphanin from your druggist and start taking today and by tomorrow you will actually brag about your healthy strong stomach, for you then can eat anything and everything you want without the slightest discomfort or misery, and every particle of impurity and gas that is in your stomach and intestines is going to be carried away without the use of laxatives or any other assistance.

Spring Valley.

W. McDermott's sale on the 15th was well attended.

Roe Bros. sold a fine bunch of cattle to S. Andrews.

T. Thompson has rented the Roe farm; T. Armstrong, the McDermott farm; and I. McMinn the old Mahaffy homestead.

We expect to have a telephone line extended to Spring Valley during the summer.

Miss Alice Rowe is on the sick list.

Several farms in the valley have changed hands recently.

The approaching election is not causing much excitement in the community.

The "dark horse" sprung a curb and had to be drawn at the last moment.

Hospital Fund.

Lacombe, March 4.
Surplus from Benedict's Hall, \$65.75
Total of Dec. 31, 1907, \$1067.30
Total cash on hand, 1003.05
Amount paid for hospital site, 311.50
Total contributions to date, \$1404.55

The Alaska Yukon-Pacific Exposition is the first world's fair which has not asked financial assistance of the government. Uncle Sam is spending \$300,000, but is doing it himself on his own exhibits and buildings.

CANADA'S BEST NEWSPAPER.

"A Cloud of Witnesses" among the Press of Canada have nothing but praise for the Montreal "Witness."

To what other large metropolitan newspaper anywhere in Canada, has such while hearted and generous praise ever been accorded as may be found in the following examples of what is being said by press and people all over the Dominion?

"The 'Witness' is a newspaper of which Canadians are justly proud. It publishes all the news in the most straightforward way and its readers are kept well informed. Moreover its readers are leaders in their respective communities, the 'Witness' appealing strongly to the people of character everywhere."

The following statements of fact are worthy of the consideration of anyone of our readers.

"The 'Witness' exerts a most beneficial influence in the homes and hearts of our people."—The Late Archbishop Bond, of all Canada.

"The 'Witness' has manifested in its eminent degree the qualities of courage and sincerity."—R. L. Borden, Leader of the Conservative Party.

"The Montreal 'Witness' is never influenced by mere party feelings."—Chatham Commercial.

"The Montreal 'Witness' numbers among its clientele the most independent and thoughtful newspaper readers in Canada."—Edmonton Bulletin.

"The Montreal 'Witness' stands for purity and honesty in government."—The Hamilton Spectator.

"The Montreal 'Witness' is a newspaper which is held enough to be honest and honest enough to be bold."—Sarnia (Ont.) Observer.

"The Montreal 'Witness' was never better or more useful than it is today."—Dominion Presbyterian.

"The 'Witness' is one of the best papers published."—Bowmanville Statesman.

"The 'Witness' never fails to command respect for its fairness and impartiality."—Sarnia Observer.

"The 'Witness' is the most impartial and independent newspaper in Canada."—Charlotte, P. E. District.

"The Montreal 'Witness' does nothing small."—Picton Gazette.

"The Montreal 'Witness' is by far the most influential newspaper in Canada."—The Herald, Comber, Ont.

"The 'Witness' is no doubt the best newspaper in Canada."—Northern Advertiser.

"The 'Witness' deserves the good words that have been said of it."—Christian Guardian.

Right minded people will appreciate such opinions and will pass them to friends who may not have seen them.

The Daily edition is \$3.00 a year and the Weekly only \$1.00. These rates are low, since it costs much more to produce a paper like the Witness than it does to produce many of its leading competitors. Character counts because it costs.

The Witness is published by John Douglas & Son, Montreal, and has now completed its thirty second year.

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Meals at all hours.
Board by the day or week.
Good furnished rooms.

E. W. Howard, Proprietor

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Horses Wanted

We will buy any number of working horses and first class drivers.

Must be sound and not over 8 years old.

Prompt attention to all correspondence.

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SUFFOLK PUNCHES

Messrs. Jacques Bros., of Lamerton, P. O., Alberta, Importers and Breeders. Stallions for sale.

Restaurant!

The Restaurant in Russel Block opposite Fortune's lively stable, is now doing business under new management—Yock Tway & Co. Menus at all hours. Fruits and confectionery.

THEIR HOPE, THE PEOPLE

Muskoka's Brave Battle for Needy Consumptives.

It is poor consolation to needy consumptives to say that the Government should make provision for the thousands who suffer and die from tuberculosis in every year.

The Government should do a great deal more than they have yet dreamed of doing. But they are not doing it, and in the meantime twelve thousand die annually in the Dominion, from this dread disease.

As the situation is to-day, what would be the fate of many consumptives in Canada were it not for the two Houses for Consumptives in Muskoka, that during the past eleven years, against many odds, have cared for upwards of three thousand patients in the earlier stages of the disease, whilst in the two later institutions, on the banks of the Humbler, those in the more advanced stages are treated.

This work in Muskoka is one of pure philanthropy. From the day the first patient was admitted to the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives in April, 1902, not a single applicant has ever been refused admission because of his or her inability to pay.

The Government contribute \$1.50 per week per patient. The cost of maintenance is \$0.25 a week. The revenue in the past maintenance of all needy patients has through these years been made up by private philanthropy.

The Secretary-Treasurer of the Association, Mr. J. S. Robertson, 347 King Street West, Toronto, writes us that, with the financial depression of the past year, the funds of the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives have suffered greatly. At the commencement of the winter season the Trustees have to face a very serious financial account and have many obligations to meet.

Despite these financial worries every applicant is receiving careful consideration and patients are admitted as promptly as beds are made vacant. All through these years the institution has been maintained, not by any rich endowment, for such does not exist, but by the generous contributions of the masses of the people—the small sums rather than the large ones.

We frankly say that we do not know, in our experience, of a more worthy and deserving charity, and our hope is that the readers of these lines will respond in the spirit that is now made for funds for the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives.

Contributions may be sent to Mr. W. J. Gage, 84 Spadina Ave., Chairman of the Executive Committee, or to J. S. Robertson, Secretary-Treasurer of the National Sanatorium Association, 347 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario.

CANADA'S POOR CONSUMPTIVES.

A Story more touching than anything from the pen of the gifted Ian MacLaren.

In the current issue of the DOOR OF HOPES, published by the National Sanatorium Association, 347 King Street West, Toronto, is given over to letters received from the many persons from all parts of the Dominion seeking admission to the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives.

Seldom have we read anything more pathetic. Here, for example, is a letter from a physician in Cremona, Ont., asking for the admission of a patient by the name of Morrison. He says:—"I would like to urge strongly upon you the great claims of this patient. He has no home—mother dead—father working as a farm laborer. The boy has been living with an unmarried uncle, no housekeeper—work, cooking, etc., being done by the uncle. The boy has absolutely no place to go where he might be given any reasonable care, and he can get none where he is."

Just one more of the many we might add to her if I go away. I have a patient suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis, who has been laid off work for about three months now—was in bed part of that time, but latterly both his pulse and temperature have kept down and his weight going up. He is the only support of the family—mother, crippled father, and younger brother, but his neighbors are trying to raise a small amount of money to help him.

We have sometimes thought that, if Ian MacLaren, who has given us the character of Dr. McClure, were alive today that in letters such as these he would find material for a book more touching and pathetic in many parts than his *Bennie Brice Book*. It is on behalf of cases like these, of which there are scores reaching the Muskoka Free Hospital every week, that the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives makes its appeal for funds.

This institution has not any time, since its doors were first opened in April, 1902, refused a single patient because of the applicant being unable to pay.

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POSITION WANTED.—Lim Tom, a first class cook, desires a position as first cook. Call at Hop Chung's laundry, Lacombe, or address P. O. Box 28.

PANCAKE FLOUR—Try the Sunset Golden Pancake Flour manufactured in Lacombe District, by C. W. Urlich. On sale at the mill southwest of Bentley, or at A. Urquhart & Co's Store, Lacombe, and at Pullard's store and Uhl's store, Bentley. Price \$3.25 per 100 lbs.

Estray.

ESTRAY—Came to my place on Jan. 9, a sorrel colt, with white face, about three years old. No visible brand. Owner can have same by paying for his notice and other expense.—W. R. Cole, 38-40-28, Winesville P. O.

ESTRAY—With my cattle since November last, one blood red heifer 3 years old, no visible brand, now running on the S. W. 1/4, Sec. 9, T. 28, R. 24, W. 4. Owner kindly prove property, pay expenses and remove the same.—E. Walter Simpson, Lacombe.

Dog Tax Notice.

1. The Mayor and Council of the Town of Lacombe enacts as follows:

Every owner of a dog or bitch in the Town of Lacombe shall annually on or before the first day of May in each year procure the same to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for the periods hereinafter mentioned in the office of the Inspector of the said Town, and shall cause the dog or bitch to wear around the neck a collar, to which collar shall be rivetted a metallic plate having raised, cast or stamped thereon the words "Lacombe Dog Tax" and the figures indicating the year for which the license has been paid, together with a number corresponding with the number which the said dog or bitch is registered in the books of the Inspector. Every such owner shall pay for such license, metallic plate and registration for each dog the sum of one dollar and for each bitch two dollars and every such license shall expire on the 30th day of April in each year.

Signed this 9th day of March, A. D. 1909.

L. B. MILLER,
Inspector of Licenses.

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1. Pennington's farm, adjoining Blackfalds, for sale or rent.
2. Bedford House, 14 rooms, for sale or rent.
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4. One store to rent.
5. Several houses for sale and rent. Apply

JAS. MCNICOL,
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